

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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ONE DAY LEFT TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES! New Library and Bank Locations Available For Last-Minute Payers

San Diego County property owners are reminded that the first installment of their 2001-02 property taxes is due Monday, Dec. 10.

County Treasurer-Tax Collector Bart J. Hartman said taxpayers have a number of options for making their property tax payments. To save time, taxpayers are urged to mail their payments or make use of the various electronic payment options. To pay over the Internet using Visa or Electronic Check, sign on to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's web site at www.sdtreastax.com, and follow the prompts to the pay-by-Internet system. Property taxes also can be paid over the phone with a credit card. The number to call to pay by Discover card is (619) 236-2330, and the number to pay by Visa is (619) 685-2646. There are fees charged by the various providers for all these services. The specific fees are disclosed prior to completion of a transaction.

To assist residents who may not have paid their taxes yet, Treasurer-Tax Collector employees will be available at six library branches throughout the County to accept payments by check from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Dec. 10th only. The library branches are the El Cajon Library located at 201 E. Douglas, El Cajon; Spring Valley Library, 1043 Elkelton Boulevard, Spring Valley; Imperial Beach Library, 810 Imperial Beach Boulevard, Imperial Beach; Poway Library, located at 13137 Poway Road, Poway; Vista Library, 700 Eucalyptus Avenue, Vista; and the La Jolla Branch of the San Diego Library, located at 7555 Draper Avenue, La Jolla.

Those who haven't received a tax bill, or need more information, can call the Treasurer-Tax Collector's 24-hour automated information line at (619) 236-2424. Branch offices are located at 334 Via Vera Cruz, #150, behind "Restaurant Row" in San Marcos, 200 S. Magnolia Avenue in El Cajon, 344 F St., Suite 200, in Chula Vista, and 5473 Kearny Villa Road in San Diego. Through 6:00 p.m. December 10, payments may also be accepted at the Bank of America Banking Centers at 235 E. 8th St. in National City and 3099 Lemon Grove Ave. in Lemon Grove.

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